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In re Application of: James Morrow et al.
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Title: RECONFIGURABLE GAMING MACHINE

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

This amendment is responsive to the Office Action dated November 4, 2004, and is timely filed with a two-month extension.

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Claims 1-20, 30-46, 48-50, and 57-59 are pending in the present application. In the detailed action, claims 8 and 46 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph, as requiring clarification. Claims 1-20, 30-46, 48-50, and 57-59 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as unpatentable over Hedrick (USPN 6,135, 884) in view of Giobbi (USPN 6,749,510), and further in view of Marnell (USPN 5,393,057). Claims 8-11, 13, 14, and 46 have been amended. No claims have been deleted. No claims have been added. Applicants respectfully contend that the differences between the claimed invention and the cited references are such that the claimed invention is patentably distinct over the cited references.